## **Rural Development Fund Grants**

For the 2017 Rural Development Grant program, MDARD received 73 proposals requesting \$12.9 million in grant funds. Of the proposals 27 were from the UP, with 18 of the UP proposals from the priority counties of Marquette, Alger, Delta, Menominee, Dickinson and Iron. Of the project proposals, 32 are for business development activities, 22 for infrastructure development, 12 for rural capacity building and 6 for talent/workforce or other projects. Projects were evaluated by a 12-member Joint Evaluation Committee (JEC) that scored projects in six areas: Project Purpose; Impact; Measurable Outcomes; Clarity of Work Plan; Budget; and Sustainability.

Grantee (Location)	Funding	Project Outcomes	Additional Funds	Project Status- Completion
Slagles Family Farm (Felch)	\$84,110	Commercial Kitchen Project	\$33,010 - private	In Progress- 2019
Grand Traverse Pasta Company, LLC (Traverse City)	\$75,250	Pasta Equipment Purchases for Improved Processes	\$32,250 - private	In Progress- 2019
Grand Traverse Distillery, LLC (Traverse City)	\$123,800	Distillery Equipment Upgrades Lead to Greater Efficiency, Increased Production Capacity, Increased Export Capability and Job Creation	\$52,800 - private	In Progress- 2019
Michigamme Township	\$26,500	Certified Operator for the Wastewater Treatment Facility	\$12,500 - local	In Progress- 2019
Human Development Commission (Caro)	\$61,600	Commodity Distribution Program and The Emergency Food Assistance Program	\$26,400 - private	Completed
Northwest Michigan Horticultural Research Foundation (Traverse City)	\$170,000	Skills Training Infrastructure Grant	\$170,000 -	In Progress- 2019

Superior Watershed Partnership (Marquette)	\$75,200	Tri-County Nature Tourism Project	\$22,600 - private	In Progress- 2019
Northern Michigan Geological Repository Association (Marquette)	\$226,700	Diamond Drill Core Library and Geologic Data	\$123,300 - private	
Copper Peak Inc. (Ironwood)	\$125,000	Copper Peak Reconstruction (Ski Flying Facility)	\$71,715 – private	In Progress- 2019
City of Munising	\$150,000	M-28 to Foster Street Project	\$64,400 - City	In Progress- 2019
Village of Ellsworth	\$32,000	Engineering Plan for Community Sanitary Sewer System	\$10,000 – Village	In Progress- 2019
Iron County Economic Development (Iron River)	\$22,140	The Iron County Tourism & Business Development Initiative	\$9,650 - County	In Progress- 2019
Northern Economic Initiatives Corporation (Marquette)	\$50,000	Assess and Create Strategies for Central Upper Peninsula Businesses	\$33,338	In Progress- 2019
Western Upper Peninsula Planning & Development Region Commission (Houghton)	\$27,230	Feasibility Study for Community Photovoltaic Solar Generation System	\$8,170 – Local	In Progress- 2019

Houghton County	\$80,000	Houghton County Airpark Sewer System	\$163,550 - County	In Progress- 2019
Mason County Growth Alliance (Ludington)	\$35,000	LEAD and Interconnected Trails	\$15,000 – Regional Prosperity Grant	In Progress- 2019
Newaygo County RESA (Fremont)	\$176,753	Skills Training Infrastructure Grant	\$971,922	In Progress

## **Rural Development Fund (2975)**

## Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Schedule of Source of Funds for the periods ending September 30, 2017

	2017
Sources	
Available Fund Balance - Beginning	1,729,463.70
Encumbered Balance Forward	-
Capital Outlay Balance Forward	-
Work Projects Balance Forward	-
Revenues and Other Sources	943,270.25
Total Sources	\$ 2,672,733.95
Uses	
Expended and Transferred	428,259.42
Encumbered	965,517.91
Capital Outlay	-
Work Projects	
Total Uses	\$ 1,393,777.33
Ending Available Fund Balance	\$ 1,278,956.62